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AMENDMENT & REMARKS ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Dear Sir:

This paper and the accompanying Request for Continued Examination (RCE) are being submitted in response to the Advisory Action dated January 2, 2009, having a shortened statutory period expiring on January 20, 2009. Accompanying this response is a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 for a one month extension of time, setting a new time for response to February 20, 2009. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks set forth below.

No Amendments to the Specification or Drawings are presented in this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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